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In re application: COOPER ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/306,189

Filed: 5/06/99

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR CONVERTING PROGRAMS
AND SOURCE CODE FILES
WRITTEN IN A PROGRAMMING
LANGUAGE TO EQUIVALENT
MARKUP LANGUAGE FILES

§ Group Art Unit: 2776
§ Examiner: UNKNOWN
§ Attorney Docket No.: AT9-98-920
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No fees are believed to be necessary. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 50-0392. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is necessary, I authorize the Commissioner to charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0392.

Prior to continued examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please approve the proposed amendment to the drawings as follows:

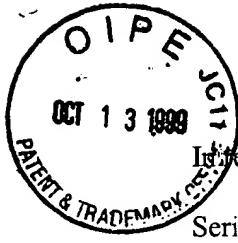
In the drawings, add Figure 16C to Figures 16A-16B.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 6, line 22, delete "16A-16B" and insert therefore --16A-16C--;

Page 28, line 31, before "contain", delete "and 16B" and insert --,16B, and 16C--;



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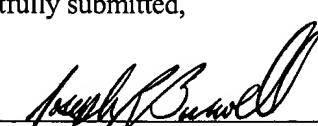
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- Preliminary Amendment; and
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